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When you or a loved one is faced with the daunting diagnosis of Alzheimer's or another dementia, it can lead to many unanswered questions and uncertainty. Alzheimer's disease is a brain disorder that slowly destroys memory and thinking skills, and, eventually, the ability to carry out simple tasks. Researchers and medical professionals do not fully understand what causes Alzheimer's disease, but the cause likely includes a combination of genetic, environmental, and lifestyle factors. Currently, there are more than 5 million Americans—and more than 400,000 Texans—living with Alzheimer's disease.

The first symptoms of Alzheimer's disease may vary, but for many, a decline in memory and cognitive abilities, including issues with word-finding, vision and spatial issues, and impaired reasoning or judgment may signal the very early stages of the disease. We encourage Texans with memory and assorted cognitive concerns to take advantage of early medical screenings to find out whether their symptoms are related to Alzheimer's. While there is currently no cure for Alzheimer's, there are methods of treatment to help manage symptoms of the disease.

One week each June is dedicated to drawing national attention to the brain, Alzheimer's, and other types of dementia. Texans are encouraged to "Go Purple" for the week of June 6 in order to raise awareness of this disease, show support for patients and their families, and advocate for vital research.

At this time, I encourage all Texans to learn more about the early signs of Alzheimer's and other dementias and to support research for a cure. Together, we can continue to make a difference for a future where Alzheimer's is no more.

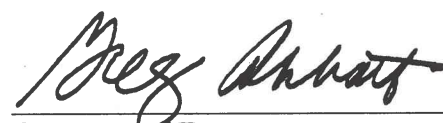
Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim June 2022 to be

Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month



in Texas and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof,
I hereby affix my signature this the
24th day of May, 2022.


Governor of Texas